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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Steven C. Quay

Application No.: 09/587,116

Filed: June 2, 2000

For: PRODUCTION AND USE OF
DERIVATIZED HOMOSERINE
LACTONES

Examiner: Unknown

Art Unit: 1612

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

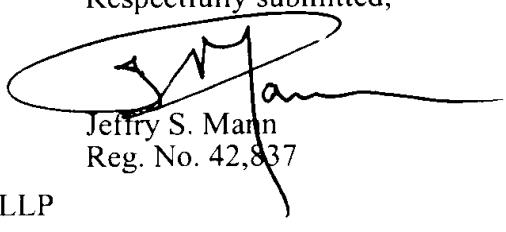
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 24, 2000 for 1 month, from October 24, 2000 to November 24, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$55.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,


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